OLD ENGLAND.

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Tum verò omne mihi viſum conſidere in Ignes
Ilium ——— VIRG.

IF the terrible Fires which have ſo frequently ravaged of late in and about this great City of *London*, had happened in more ſuperſtitious or more violent Times, the giddy-headed Multitude would have aſſigned far other Cauſes for their Riſe and Progreſs, than what are obvious to thinking Minds and the Light of Reaſon. Such was the Event of what we commonly call the *great Fire of London*, which happened on *Saturday* the 2d of *September* 1666, (the ſame Day of the Week as well as the ſame Day of the Month as this very Day) and was from the uncharitable Diſpoſition and Malignity of the Party-Diviſions then ſubſiſting, or rather raging, in theſe Kingdoms, and more particularly in *London*, reciprocally charged by the *Papiſts* and *Fanatics* upon one another, with all the Vehemence of Aſſurance and Obloquy imaginable.

A very old Pamphlet, in relation to that dreadful Conflagration, having fallen into my Hands, I think I can't better entertain the Public on this Anniverſary Day, than by communicating ſome Extracts of the moſt material Part of it, whereby the Reader will ſee how the Papiſts and Fanatics of thoſe Days recriminated on one another, I hope with equal Falſhood, notwithſtanding the plauſible Circumſtances that ſeem to warrant either Side.

"The various Reports (ſays my Author) concerning it, from different Parties, bring no ſolid Evidence to any judicious Perſon, while he obſerves, that *different Parties* won't ſtick at *different Lies*, to vindicate their own Cauſe, or blacken that of their Adverſaries.

"'Tis well known, the *Papiſts* are generally charged with being the Contrivers and Managers of that direful Calamity; while, on the other Hand, the *Papiſts* retort it back again upon the *Fanatics*."

Then he gives us a long Account, publiſhed by Authority in the *London Gazette*, of the Progreſs of the Flames; wherein is the following Paragraph:

"Divers Strangers, *Dutch* and *French*, were, during the Fire, apprehended, upon Suſpicion that they contributed miſchievouſly to it; who are all impriſoned, and Informations prepared to make a ſevere Inquiſition thereupon, by my Lord Chief Juſtice *Keeling*, aſſiſted by ſome of the Lords of the Privy-Council, and ſome principal Members of the City; notwithſtanding which Suſpicions, the Manner of the Burning all along in a Train, and ſo blown forwards in all its Way by ſtrong Winds, makes us conclude, the Whole was an Effect of an unhappy Chance; or, to ſpeak better, the heavy Hand of God upon us for our Sins, ſhewing us the Terror of his Judgement in thus raiſing the Fire, and immediately after his miraculous and never enough to be acknowledged Mercy in putting a Stop to it, when we were in the laſt Deſpair, and that all Attempts for the quenching it, however induſtriouſly purſued, ſeemed inſufficient."

After this, my Author proceeds to give Biſhop *Kennet*'s Opinion, from his Hiſtory of *England*, on this Affair, *viz.*

"On the *Monument*, (ſays the Biſhop) afterwards erected near the Place where the Fire began, there was an Inſcription to this Effect, that *the dreadful Flames broke out in a Lane adjoining, about Midnight, and being driven by a high Wind, conſumed not only the adjacent Parts, but Places far remote; and with incredible Noiſe and Fury deſtroyed* 89 *Churches, among which was the Cathedral of* St. Paul's, City-Gates, Guildhall, *many* Public Structures, Hoſpitals, Schools, Libraries, *a vaſt Number of* ſtately Edifices, 13200 Dwelling-Houſes, 400 Streets; *of* 26 Wards, *it utterly ruined* 15, *and left* 8 *others ſhattered and half burnt. The Ruins of the City were* 436 *Acres, extending from the* Tower *along the* Thames' *Side to the* Temple *Church, and from the* North-East Gate *along the* City-Wall *to* Holborn-Bridge *or* Fleet-Ditch. *It was mercileſs to the Eſtates and Fortunes of the* Citizens, *but favorable to their Lives, that it might in all Things reſemble the laſt and great Conflagration. The Deſtruction was ſudden, for in a ſhort Time the ſame City which was in a flouriſhing Condition was reduced to nothing; and, after Three Days, when the fatal Fire had in Appearance overcome all Means of Reſiſtance and human Councils, by the Will of Heaven, it ſtopt and was extinguiſhed.*

"Various were the Conjectures (continues the Biſhop) how this Fire began. Moſt People did then look upon it to be the Hand of God, in a terrible Judgment upon a wicked City: Some ſaid it was contrived and carried on by the *Papiſts*, which was offered to be made appear in the *Popiſh Plot*. Others did ſuſpect it an infidious Way of the *Dutch* and *French* making War, their Two Fleets being neareſt to joining at that very Time. There was but one Man tried at the *Old Bailey* for being the Incendiary, who was convicted by his own Confeſſion, and executed for it. His Name was *Robert Hubert*, a *French Hugonot* of *Roan* in *Normandy*. Some People ſhammed away this Confeſſion, and ſaid he was *Non compos Mentis*, and had a Mind it ſeems to aſſume the Glory of being hanged for the greateſt Villain. Others ſay, he was ſober and penitent; and being, after Conviction, carried through the Ruins to ſhew where he put Fire, he himſelf directed thro' the Aſhes and pointing at the Spot whereon the firſt Burning-Houſe ſtood. It was ſoon after complained of, that *Hubert* was not ſufficiently examined who ſet him to Work, or who joined with him. And Mr. *Hawles*, in his Remarks upon *Fitzharris*'s Trial is bold to ſay, that *the Commons reſolving to examine* Hubert *upon that Matter, next Day* Hubert *was hanged before the Houſe ſate, ſo could tell no farther Tales.* But, among all the Proofs or Conjectures, nothing is more certain than this: That, in the Beginning of this Year, *John Rathbonne*, *William Saunders*, and ſix others, formerly Officers or Soldiers in the great Rebellion, were tried, convicted, and executed for conſpiring the Death of his Majeſty, and the Subverſion of the Government; in order whereunto, the City of *London* was to be ſet on Fire, on *Sept.* 3, which, by ſome Aſtrological Scheme, they pitched upon as a lucky Day for ſuch an Enterprize. So that the Fire being at the Height that very Day, made People call that late Trial to Remembrance, and ſent them back to a public *Gazette* of *April* 30, 1666, No. 48, wherein a notorious Account of the Diſcovery and Evidence of that Plot to fire the City, is delivered in Print, and it ſo far encreaſed a Suſpicion of the Malice of our foreign Enemies, that theſe Conſpirators, ſo condemned and executed, were ſaid to be under the Direction of a Committee who ſat conſtantly in *London*, and received Orders from another in *Holland*."

My Author obſerves, that nothing appears, either in the *public Accounts* or in that of Biſhop *Kennet*, that the *Papiſts* were guilty of ſetting the City on Fire; and then endeavours to recriminate on the Fanatics: For which Purpoſe, he gives a Paragraph, publiſhed by Authority in the aforementioned *Gazette* of *April* 30, 1666, *viz.*

"At the Seſſions in the *Old-Bailey*, *John Rathbonne*, an old Army-Colonel, *Will. Sanders*, *Henry Tucker*, *Tho. Flint*, *Tho. Evans*, *John Miles*, *Will. Weſtcot* and *John Cole*, formerly Officers or Soldiers in the late Rebellion, were indicted for conſpiring the Death of his Majeſty, and the Overthrow of the Government; having laid their Plot and Contrivance for the Surprizal of the *Tower*, the Killing his Grace the Lord Lieutenant General, Sir *John Robinſon* Lieutenant of his Majeſty's *Tower* of *London*, and Sir *Richard Brown*, and then to have declared for an equal Diviſion of Lands, &c. The better to effect this helliſh Deſign, the City was to have been fired, and the *Portcullis* to have been let down to keep out all Aſſiſtance; the Horſe-Guards to have been ſurprized in the Inns where they were quartered, ſeveral Oſtlers having been gained for that Purpoſe. The *Tower* was accordingly viewed, and it's Surprize ordered by Boats over the Moat, and from thence ſcale the Wall. One *Alexander*, who is not yet taken, had likewiſe diſtributed Sums of Money to thoſe Conſpirators; and, for the carrying on the Deſign more effectually, they were told of a Council of the Great Ones that ſat frequently in *London*, from whom iſſued all Orders; which Council received their Directions from another in *Holland*, who ſat with the *States*, and that the 3d of *September* was pitched on for the Attempt, as being found by *Lilly*'s Almanack, and a Scheme for that Purpoſe, to be a lucky Day, a Planet then ruling which prognoſticated the Downfal of Monarchy. The Evidence againſt theſe Perſons was very full and clear, and they accordingly found guilty of High Treaſon."

To ſupport this our Author quotes Archdeacon *Echard*, viz.

"The 3d of *September* was a Day auſpicious and full of Expectation from one Party, but at this Time ominous and direful to the Nation; and tho' the Hand of Juſtice laid hold of theſe laſt Criminals, yet the City was burnt at the very Time thus projected and prognoſticated; which gave a ſtrong Suſpicion, tho' not a full Proof, of the Authors and Promoters of it."

And after the *Archdeacon* has deſcribed the Fire he goes on:

"Great Calamities naturally produce various Conjectures, and prodigious Imaginations; Men ſeldom conſidering that the moſt ſtupendous Effects often proceed from the moſt minute Cauſes, or moſt remote Accidents. At firſt the People naturally and generally looked upon this as the Judgment of Heaven upon a wicked City and Nation, not ſufficiently humbled by the preceding Peſtilence. But Time ſoon produced abundance of Suſpicions and Variety of Opinions. Some believed that it was carried on by a Conſpiracy of *Papiſts* and *Jeſuits*; which was afterwards offered to be made appear in the *Popiſh Plot*. Others ſuſpected it an inſidious Way of the *Dutch* and *French* making War upon the *Engliſh*, their Two Fleets being at that very

Time nearest to a Conjunction: And what encreased that Suspicion was, that the above-named Criminals that suffer'd were said to be under the Direction of a Committee who sat constantly in *London*, and received Orders from another Council in *Holland*. And not long before the Fire, the *French* had sent the Governor of *Chousey* in a small Boat with a Letter to Major-General *Lambert*, then Prisoner in *Guernsey*, to offer him Terms to contrive the Delivery of that Island to them; but the Governor and Pilot were both taken and hanged as Spies. Divers Strangers, both *Dutch* and *French*, were, during the Fire, apprehended on Suspicion, imprisoned and strictly examined: And in the above-named Manuscript we have these Words: Tuesday, Sept. 11. *My Lord Chief Justice is upon the Examination of those* Dutch *and* French *that have been seized on Suspicion of being Agents in the late Burning of the City. This Morning comes in from Lord* Lovelace, *a plain Confession of a Youth, one* Taylor, *Son to a Dutchman residing in* London, *who most expresly confesses, he, his Father, and his Uncle, set Fire on the Man's House in* Pudding Lane, *on* Saturday *Night, by Fire-Balls thrown in at a Glass-Window which was open, with many other Circumstances of their propagating their horrid Design. The Boy's Age being but* Ten Years, *renders the whole suspected; but it is put into my Lord Chief Justice's Hands.* As to the *Papists* contributing to this Fire, I have been told by an eminent Prelate, that Dr. *Graunt*, one of that Religion, was strongly suspected, who, having a Share in the Water-House by *Islington*, contrived, as 'tis believed, to stop up the Pipes the Night before the Fire broke out; so that it was many Hours before that any Water could be got after the usual Manner in the City. After all Examinations, there was but one Man tried for being the Incendiary, who confessing the Fact, was executed for it. This was *Robert Hubert*, a *French Hugonot* of *Roan* in *Normandy*, a Person falsely said to be a *Papist*, but really a sort of a Lunatic, who, by meer Accident, was brought into *England* just before the breaking out of the Fire, but not landed 'till two Days after, as afterwards appeared by the Evidence of *Laurence Peterson*, the Master of a Ship who had him on board. As to the Reports concerning the King and the Duke, and *Oats*'s and *Bedloe*'s Narratives as to this Matter, the Suppositions are so monstrous, and the Evidence so wretchedly mean, that they deserve no Historian's Consideration. So that, after weighing all Circumstances, we can still make no exact Determination; but to judge on the charitable, and perhaps probable Side, we may say, that *the Beginning of this dreadful Fire was the Judgement, and the End of it the Mercy of Heaven; for neither of them seem to have been the Effects of human Means or Counsels.*"

Tho' the Practices, and perhaps the Principles too, of both the accusing Parties were not a little uncharitable in those Days, and that some very odd Circumstances seem to give a kind of Countenance to the Recriminations of each; yet I think that whoever ventures to pronounce the Sentence of Guilt upon either of them, must partake pretty largely of the Uncharitableness which I have taken the Liberty to impute to both. What goes a great Way in Favor of the *Papists* is, that both my learned Historians seem to acquit them; and if the *Archdeacon* should be thought inclinable to screen them, yet the *Prelate* can in in no wise come under that Imputation, as 'tis notorious he was embarked against them on all Occasions. The Reader therefore will consider, whether he can say, with Mr. *Pope*, that the MONUMENT *lifts up his Head and lies.*

Erratum in our last: *Instead of* Louis Quatorze *read* Louis Quinze.

LONDON.

His Excellency the Earl of Hyndford is soon expected here from the Court of Petersbourg.

Lord Hartington, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, will set out in a few Days for that Kingdom.

On Tuesday last his Excellency waited on his Majesty at Kensington, and was in private Conference a considerable Time.

Tuesday his Excellency the Count de Rusco, Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor, had his first public Audience of his Majesty at Kensington, and deliever'd his Credentials: He was introduc'd by Sir Clement Cotterell, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.

The Margrave of Anspach, on being invested with the Order of the Garter, presented to Sir Hanbury Williams a Magnificent Ring set with a large Brillant; and to Mr. Anstins he made a Present of 300 Ducats, besides the Gold hilted Sword, and 100 Ducats more for his Cloaths, which belonged to the King at Arms by Virtue of his Office.

On Tuesday an Express arrived from France, which occasioned an extraordinary Council, the Contents of which we are assur'd are an offer from Algiers of Satisfaction and Restitution for their late Insult to this Crown, in siezing the Prince Frederick Packet, for which Purpose they have besought the Meditation of his Most Christian Majesty.

We hear a Lady of Distinction is suing her Husband for Insufficiency in Doctor's Commons.

Melchior Guy Dickens, Esq; lately resident at Stockholm, is appointed Envoy Extraordinary to Russia; and this Week he was to set out for Petersburg on his Embassy.

Commodore Hughes, late one of the Commissioners of Chatham-Yard, is appointed one of the Commissioners of the Navy Office.

By Letters from several Persons on the Coast of Scotland we are informed, that some Hundreds of People are already employed in severing the Ground, and preparing other Matters for the Fishery. This Scheme is so well received by all Degrees of People, that each is forming to himself the pleasing Prospect of a comfortable Subsistence.

They write from the Spanish West-Indies, that the People at the Caraccas were in Rebellion when the Letters came away.

All the private Letters from the Leeward Islands confirm our former Accounts, that the French are fortifying the Island of Tobago.

Letters from Nova Scotia of the 24th of July say, that the People were healthy, well pleased with their Situation, and lived in great Harmony; that the Fishing Trade was already begun by those whose Lands were not ready to be parcelled to them; and that all imaginable Success had hitherto attended the Expedition.

Friday 7-Night the Companies of several Ships waited on his Majesty with a Petition, praying the Payment of the Prize-Money, due for Prizes taken in the Mediterranean; when they received for Answer, That it was put in a Method of Payment, and they would receive all imaginable Satisfaction in a few Days.

By Reports made to the Bench of Justices for the City of York, it appears, that the Distemper among the Horned Cattle has entirely ceased in that County, and that for some Weeks past not one Head has been reported to the Bench.

We here from the yearly Decrease of Game of all Sorts, an Act is intended to be brought into Parliament. that every seventh Year shall be a Jubilee to the Game. during which none shall be killed, upon the Penalty of 100l. and that any Person having any either their Tables, or otherwise in their Possession, dead shall be liable to the aforesaid Penalty; and by a Clause in the said Act the Months shall be specified and limitted for the killing Game, in order to prevent their being destroy'd during the Time of their Breeding.

On Friday Night last died at his Seat Crewe-Hall in Cheshire, John Crewe. Esq; aged 68, great Grandson and Heir of the Hon. Sir Randolph Crewe, Knt. Lord Chief Justice of England, in the Reign of King Charles the First. Mr. Crewe was elected a Member far the Borough of Newcastle, in Staffordshire, in the Reign of William, when he was only 19; and he has since represented the County Palatine of Chester in several Parliament, 'till his Age and the ill State of his Health would no longer permit him to attend the Service of his Country.

He has left a Lady and four Sons and three Daughters, and his great Estate in the Counties of Chester and Stafford, of 15,000l. a Year, descends to his eldest Son, John Crewe, Esq; one of the Representatives in the present Parliament for Cheshire.

Sunday died at his House in South-Lambeth, Mr. Lee, a celebrated Botanist, and a Gentleman of a plentiful Fortune.

Last Sunday Night the Chapel of the French Ambassador, in Grosvenor-Square, was broke open and robb'd of several Things of Value.

The Smuggler lately executed at Moidgone, we are told, acknowledged his being guilty of the Murder of Mr. Medlycott of Lincoln about ten Years ago, with whom he lived as a Servant. Mr. Medlycot was to have been married the Morning he was shot; and the Pistol being found by him, it was at that Time, and has ever since, 'till this Discovery, been thought that he was guilty of Suicide.

On Monday two Gentlemen in a Travelling Chaise were robbed near Ripley in Surry by a single Highwayman, supposed to be the same that robb'd Mr. Lethieuiller a few Days since. He was so close pursu'd, that he was obliged to swim his Horse cross the River neat Kingston, by which Means he escaped.

Monday a Woman was committed to the Compter for decoying a young Child from the Parents in Whitecross-street, and detaining it 3 Weeks from them in order to beg with.

Monday Morning, about Ten o'Clock, Mr. Colly, an eminent Merchant of this City, with 3 other Gentlemen, were attacked in St. Paul's Church-yard, by 4 Fellows in Sailors Habits; but one of the Gentlemen struck a Pistol out of the Hand of one of the Villains, and secured him, and carried him to Woodstreet Compter. The other three made off.

Last Sunday the Chimney of a House in Leather-Lane taking Fire, the Daughter of the Housekeeper went to St. Andrew's Church, Holborn, to her Father, and calling loudly for him at the Church Door, and telling him his House was on Fire, without naming the Place, put the Congregatiou into a great Consternatiou. and retarded Divine Service. Several Persons were hurt in crowding out of Church.

Sunday Morning, about half an Hour after Three o'Clock, a Fire broke out at Mr. Harwood's in Grocer's Alley tn the Poultry, which burnt that House and Mr. Medley's House adjoiuing, and three other Houses, and very much damaged the Poultry Compter, a Loft belonging to the Right Hon. the Loed Mayor, adjoiuing to Grocer's Hall, and several other Houses. The Fire wonld probably have done more Mischief, had there not been great Plenty of Water.

There were above fifty Persons in the Poultry Compter for Debt, &c. when the Fire happened, and were set at Liberty for fear of being burnt; Above 40 of them are since returned. The Felons in the said Prison, 9 in Number, escaped at the same Time, and only one of them has been retaken.

We hear that a Man who endeavoured to save himself, by getting out of a Window, had the Misfortune to fall down, and was killed on the Spot.

The Wife of Mr. Mears, a Lace Merchant in Cheapside died of a Fright occasioned by the Fire.

We hear that the Gentlemen Planters and Merchants of Port Royal Harbour in South-Carolina, have made a Present of a handsome Piece of Plate to Capt. Hamar, Commander of the Adventure Man of War, lately stationed there, in Acknowledgment of his Services done to that Port, in erecting a careening Wharf at that Place for the Nse of the Navy, and capable of receiving a Ship of 50 Guns.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Bristol, Aug. 26. Last Thursday, about Five o'Clock in the Evening Joseph Abseney, the foreign Sailor who was condemn'd at Glorcester for the Murder of Mrs. Mary Wiltshire. the young Servant Maid near the White Ladies was brought to Durdam Down, where he was executed and hung in Chains on the same Gibbet with Burnet and Pain who Murder'd the late Sir Robert Cann's Coachman several Years since.

SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, Aug. 22. That Day Mr. David Paterson, Prisoner here for some Time past, for marrying Persons clandeginely, was liberate by Warrant of the Justices of Peace, upon his enacting himself to depart the City and Liberties, never to return under Pain of Incarceration for three Years in the House of Correction.

We hear that the Rev. Mr. Ralph Erskine is going to prosecute before the Commissaries the Gibbite Party, for delivering him and several of hit Brethree over to Sotan, without having a proper Authority to do so.

IRELAND.

Dublin, Aug. 21. We hear from the Isle of Man, that a near Relation to the Right Hon. the Lord Viscount Castlecomer, of this Kingdom, who resides there, has, by exact, easy, and mathematical Methods and Schemes, discovered the Longitude and Square of the Circle, which he is preparing to lay before the Lords of the Admiralty.

By a private Letter from Roscommon we hear, that on Friday last came on there the Trial of Lieut. Tucker, of Gen. Blakeney's Regiment, for killing Lieut. Reeves of the said Regiment; and after a Trial of six Hours, the Jury (consisting of the principal Gentleman of that County) brought in their Nerdict Manslaughter in his own Defence.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

ITALY.

Florence, Aug. 23. We have the melancholy News from Tucechio, that the Waters of their grand Lake were so putrified all on a sudden, and become so black and noisome, that all the Fish therein were struck dead. Several able Physicians have been directed to go there by the Court of Health, to discover if possible the Cause of this Phenomenon; and to pursue such Measures as may prevent the unhappy People from being poisoned by the drinking those Waters.

BANKRUPTS.

James Hamilton, late of London, Merchant.

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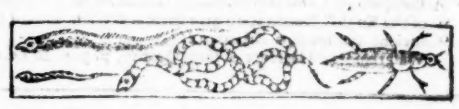

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